

WEST JORDAN HIGH SCHOOL

NATIONAL HONORS SOCIETY

APPLICATION

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Dear Student,

We appreciate your interest in National Honor Society. Membership drives occur two times each school year. Juniors and Seniors are eligible to apply in the fall, and all students, including Sophomores, are eligible to apply in the spring. Membership Drives is happening from January 29th to February 11th. Selection is made from this information packet, so fill it out completely and return it to Mrs. Peterson, in Room E-48, by the end of the day February 11th.

Read through the entire packet and be sure you understand each part. The section labeled “Service Activities” requires signatures and phone numbers so plan ahead. Without the sponsor’s signatures and phone numbers, you will receive “0” in this area. (a “0” can prevent your acceptance).

The second page of this packet explains the scoring process for selection. The Faculty Council follows a mathematical formula and those who average 3.7 or above are invited to join, providing they have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.7.

The final page of this packet is the teacher recommendation form. Please give a recommendation form to each of your current teachers as soon as possible so they have adequate time to respond. Teachers are to return the form to Ms. Peterson E-48. If the teacher needs you to return the form please have the teacher put it in an envelope and then seal it. If you need assistance in preparing this packet please visit Room E-48. Membership in NHS is a high honor and a valuable asset in your life.

Sincerely yours,

Lynda Peterson, Advisor
National Honor Society



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NHS Induction Selection Method

An invitation to join National Honor Society is extended to those individuals who excel in scholarship, character, leadership, and service.

The selection method of West Jordan High School is based on a 4.0 point system averaged from points accumulated in the four areas as indicated in the information packet.

1. Scholarship: Current cumulative GPA (3.7 minimum) is obtained from the registrar's office by the advisor. (Section I)
2. Character: Students ask each of their teachers to complete an evaluation form answering questions relating to character. Teachers rank students on a scale of 1 – 4 (four being high). The items are averaged for the final score.
3. Service & Leadership: Information on these is from the information packet (sections II and III) filled in by the students. One leadership (or service item) gives a 3.5 score and two more give 3.7 to 4.0.

Information packets are evaluated without names by a Faculty Council. Each area is scored and the average of the four scores determines membership. Those who are declined are encouraged to improve their cumulative GPA, involve themselves in more extra-curricular, leadership or service activities to strengthen their possibility for future membership.

Example: Tom has a GPA of 3.85. His teachers rated him 3.72 on character. He has one leadership experience that is 3.5 and he has participated in numerous service activities giving him a 4.0.

GPA	3.85
Character	3.72
Leadership	3.5
Service	4.0
Total	$15.07 / 4 = 3.77$ total points

Tom would be invited into National Honor Society.

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Felis Panthera

STUDENT ACTIVITY INFORMATION FORM

DIRECTIONS: Please complete all sections. Type or print in black or blue ink. Do not be modest. Every bit of information can be used by the Faculty Council to assist with the selection process. Completion of this form does not guarantee selection.

DUE: Return to room E-48 on or before Tuesday February 11th. Application received after that date will be held and processed during the next membership drive.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

FIRST NAME LAST		GRADE	
		CELL #	
ADDRESS		STUDENT #	
		BIRTHDAY	

CURRENT CLASS SCHEDULE

PERIOD	CLASS	TEACHER
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		
6.		
7.		
8.		

Read carefully before signing:

West Jordan High School's National Honor Society is an active organization that promotes academic excellence as well as service to our fellowman. As a member you will be expected to attend monthly meetings, do eight hours of service, pay \$20.00 dues, and remain a student in good standing. If you are willing to do this, please sign.

As you sign, you are also indicating that you know this form does not guarantee selection to NHS and that the information here is accurate.

Student _____

*I can verify that the information provided by my son/daughter is accurate and complete in its presentation.

Parent _____

I. Scholarship:

Current cumulative GPA (3.7 minimum) is obtained at the registrar's office: Go to the attendance office and they will direct you to the registrar who will fill out the following information.

Cumulative GPA _____ Signature of registrar _____

II. SERVICE ACTIVITIES

List service activities in which you have participated. These can be service projects done with a group, either in or out of school, or done as individual service projects. Generally speaking, service activities are those which are done for or on behalf of others (not including immediate family) and for which no compensation (monetary or other) has been given. **(8 hours minimum is required)**. For example church groups, clubs sponsored inside or outside school, Boy or Girl Scouts, community art or betterment activities. **Please list name and phone number of adult supervisor who can verify your participation in each activity. No signature and phone number = no credit given.**

COMMUNITY ACTIVITY	TIME INVOLVED	MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENT	YEAR				SUPERVISOR SIGNATURE AND PHONE NUMBER
			9	10	11	12	

III. LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

List all elected or appointed leadership positions held in school, community, church, or work activities. Only those positions in which you were directly responsible for motivation or directing others should be included. For example: elected student body, class, or club officer; committee chairperson; team captain; newspaper editor; work area manager; or community or church group leader. (continued on the next page if you need more space).

LEADERSHIP POSITION	YEAR				ACTIVITY OR ORGANIZATION
	9	10	11	12	

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

List all activities in which you have participated during high school (include 9th grade). Include clubs, teams, musical groups, etc.

ACTIVITY	YEAR				ACCOMPLISHMENTS
	9	10	11	12	

WORK EXPERIENCE, RECOGNITIONS, AND AWARDS

List below any job experiences, honors, or recognition's that you have received that support your bid to be selected for membership in National Honor Society. Work experience may be paid or volunteer (not service).

JOB, RECOGNITION, OR AWARD	HOURS PER WEEK SPENT ON JOB	YEAR				GROUP OR ACTIVITY
		9	10	11	12	

Teachers please return this form to Lynda Peterson room E-48 by the end of the day Tuesday February 11th. **DO NOT SEND IT WITH THE NOMINEE!!** If you are not in the building you may put the form in an envelope, seal it and return with the student. Thank you for your cooperation.

To: Teachers

_____ is being considered for membership in the National Honor Society. Membership is based on scholarship, service, leadership, and character. We have a record of the student's academic abilities, extra-curricular and service activities, but we solicit your help in evaluating the student's character.

Please evaluate the student in the following areas by scoring each item with 1, 2, 3, or 4 using the following criteria.

4 = Outstanding
3 = Above Average
2 = Average
1 = Below Average

- a. demonstrates the importance of class attendance and punctuality _____
- b. exercises influence on peers in upholding class/school ideals _____
- c. is thoroughly dependable in any responsibility he/she accepts _____
- d. takes criticism willingly and accepts recommendations graciously _____
- e. constantly exemplifies desirable qualities of personality
(cheerfulness, friendliness, poise, stability) _____
- f. demonstrates highest standards of honesty and reliability _____
- g. observes instructions and rules, punctuality, and faithfulness in
obligation _____
- h. works well with others and is willing to take on difficult
responsibilities _____
- i. willingness to render cheerfully and enthusiastically any requested
service _____
- j. readiness to show courtesy by assisting teachers and classmates _____

COMMENTS: (anything about this student that would help the faculty council) Comments are also used for the induction ceremony so comments are encouraged.

Teacher Signature _____